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Applicants: Marvin L. Vestal
Application No.: 10/023,203 Group: 2881
Filed: December 17, 2001 Examiner: Anderson, Bruce C.
For: A Tandem Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometer with Delayed
Extraction and Method for Use

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 10, 2002, for the above-identified application, Applicant is filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Amendment concurrently herewith. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

A three-month extension to respond to the Final Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action and the appropriate fees are being filed concurrently with this Amendment and RCE.

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